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## Prices and Prospects.

### Activity in Firing Ovens Arrests Advance in Price But Causes no Decline

Fewer Furnaces Resuming  
Operation Than Had  
Been Expected.

#### CUTS IN FREIGHT RATES

Anticipated by Furnacemen, Hence  
They Are Disposed to Hold Off Buy-  
ing at This Time; Foundry Unaffec-  
ted and Is Stronger; Good Demand.

Special to The Weekly Courier.

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 12.—Progress of  
the advance in coke prices was ar-  
rested in the past week by two in-  
fluences, the slowing in of ovens at a  
rate slightly greater than was war-  
ranted by the blowing in of blast fur-  
naces, and the postponement by sev-  
eral furnace interests of their expect-  
ed resumption.

The increase in coke production in  
anticipation of heavier consumption in  
a story quite familiar to the Connells-  
ville coke trade, which is easily away-  
ed by changes in conditions, and not  
infrequently has spoiled a good thing  
by trying to get too much out of it.  
As to pig iron producers postponing  
the blowing in of furnaces, this does  
not apply to all, as some furnaces  
have blown in lately and there may  
be some resumption in the next week  
or two. The total number going in,  
however, is not as large as was ex-  
pected.

Two influences have been operative  
in causing furnacemen to defer action.  
One is that pig iron has been rather  
sluggish in the past couple weeks,  
when a further improvement in buy-  
ing has been expected. Another in-  
fluence is the disposition of the railroads  
to reduce freight rates. Naturally  
furnacemen do not wish to make pig  
iron at present cost if there is a low-  
er cost in prospect, while pig iron  
consumers do not care to buy now if  
they can defer purchases until after  
reductions have been made in the  
rates on pig iron. For instance, the  
rate on pig iron from the fallers to  
Pittsburgh is now \$1.95, while before  
the war it was 90 cents, and consumers  
hope the rate will be reduced to  
\$1.40, where it stood before the last  
advance, August 26, 1920.

There has been no actual decline in  
market prices of coke to speak of in  
the past week, the softness develop-  
ed being rather the removal of pros-  
pects getting an advance that some  
operators had counted upon with con-  
fidence. As to contract prices, coke  
the condition a week ago was that  
there were a few sellers at \$3.50 and  
many more at \$3.75, the latter believ-  
ing that a little buying would elimi-  
nate the \$3.50 coke and leave the  
market at \$3.75. The record of the  
market, however, is that part of the  
demand has been satisfied by sales at  
\$3.40 and \$3.60, if indeed less than  
\$3.40 has not been done in some cases,  
and there are still sellers of small  
tonnage at these prices. Of course  
\$3.75 remains as a "asking price" or  
objective, but that does not neces-  
sarily count for there are other asking  
prices. One prominent producing in-  
terest has an asking price of \$4.00  
and it has been reported in the  
past couple days that one producer  
is "quoting" \$4.50. The market as  
shown by sales is \$3.40 to \$3.50.

Spot furnace coke of excellent qual-  
ity has sold in the past couple days  
at \$3.35, and it is reported that some  
odd lots of sub-standard grades can  
be picked up at less. Small lots for  
miscellaneous consumption, outside  
blast furnaces, have gone at \$3.35 to  
\$3.50.

The blowing in of additional ovens  
has affected furnace coke only. Foundry  
coke is stronger than a week ago,  
when the market was quotable at \$4.35  
to \$4.75. This week it seems impos-  
sible to secure really standard foundry  
coke at \$4.25, and \$4.50 seems to  
be approximately the minimum. For  
favorite brands \$4.75 is the usual fig-  
ure.

Reports that \$5.00 and more has  
been obtained for "foundry coke" have  
puzzled some members of the  
trade, as it did not appear that any  
such price could be obtained in the  
open market for spot coke. It is now  
learned that the prices were done on  
contracts, running either to Decem-  
ber 31 or into the next year, and of  
course a buyer would have to pay  
above the spot market to secure pro-  
tection for such a period, for there  
are several chances of prices advanc-  
ing in the winter and practically no  
chance of their being any decline.  
The market is now quoted as follows:

Spot furnace coke..... \$3.35 to \$3.50  
Contract furnace coke..... \$3.40 to \$3.50  
Spot foundry coke..... \$4.25 to \$4.75  
Contract foundry coke..... \$4.50 to \$4.75  
The focal pig iron market has con-  
tinued quiet. A sale of 500 tons of  
standard Bessemer is reported at the  
old price of \$20. Valley coke or three  
small lots of basic iron have been  
sold, but by furnace some distance  
removed from the valleys, and part  
of the freight advantage of these  
cokes is understood to have been  
run away. Foundry continues to  
be in small lots at the old price.  
The market remains quiet as fol-  
lows:

#### COKE-FREIGHT RATES.

The freight rates on coke from  
the Connellsville district, which  
includes what is officially known  
as the Connellsville region  
(sometimes called the Basin dis-  
trict) and the Lower Connells-  
ville district, (often called the  
Kendrick and sometimes the  
Masonstown district) to principal  
points for shipment, are as fol-  
lows: per ton of 2,000 pounds,  
effective August 26, 1920:

Destination	Rate
Baltimore	\$2.35
Buffalo	2.41
Canton	2.30
Chicago	4.52
Cleveland	3.04
Columbus	3.04
Detroit	3.04
St. Louis	4.75
Erie	3.08
Harrisburg	2.22
Joliet	2.22
Louisville	4.52
Milwaukee	4.52
New York	4.52
Philadelphia	4.52
Pittsburgh	1.63
Port Henry, N. Y.	2.04
Port Maitland, Ont.	3.54
Portsmouth	3.75
Reading	4.51
Richmond, Va. (R. & O.)	5.22
Richmond, Va. (P. H. R.)	5.22
South Richmond	5.22
Swedesboro, Pa.	4.52
Toledo, O.	4.51
Wheeling	2.52
Valley Forge	2.52

#### For Export.

From Connellsville district:	
Philadelphia (R. & O. R.)	\$4.52
Baltimore (F. O. R. vessels)	3.35
From Ligonier district:	
Philadelphia (F. O. R. ves-)	
Baltimore (F. O. R. vessels)	4.15

#### These prices are f. o. b. Valley

Furnaces. Freight to Pittsburgh is

\$1.95.

Last week it was announced that

the railroads would at once reduce

freight rates on iron ore by 33 per

cent, which percentage would take

off the 40 per cent advance imposed

August 26, 1920. Some railroad offi-

cials endeavored to intimate that this

would tend to broaden the pig iron

market, but pig iron producers, be-

ing practical, take the opposite view.

The pig iron market would be broad-

ened by the cost of pig iron to the

consumer being reduced. This could

occur in two ways. First, by the rail-

roads reducing the freight rates on

pig iron from furnaces to consuming

points. This has not been done. Sec-

ond, by furnacemen reducing their prices,

and this the furnaces do not wish to

do.

The furnaces have large piles of

iron ore in yards and do not need to

transport more iron ore, at the re-

duced rates or any other rates, in or-

der to make pig iron. What the

furnaces would like to have is reduc-

tions in freight rates on coke and

limestone, as they are moving these

materials every day. When coke,

limestone and pig iron freight rates

are reduced the pig iron market will

presumably broaden. Such reduc-

tions will occur in the next few

weeks according to some authorities

and within the next few months ac-

cording to other authorities.

### STEEL MARKET NOW STATIONARY AS TO DEMAND AND PRICES

Recovery Believed to Have Gone as  
Far as Credit and Business  
Conditions Warrant.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The American  
Metal Market and Daily Iron & Steel  
Report will review the steel and iron  
trade tomorrow as follows:

"The steel market is in practically  
stationary condition both as to vol-  
ume and as to prices. Steel output  
production averaged 21 per cent of  
capacity in July, while August showed  
a good gain, with a 30 per cent  
average. Then came September with a  
32 per cent average, showing only a  
slight gain and the rate now is 34  
or 35 per cent, with no definite trend  
either upwards or downwards. The  
recovery from the extreme depres-  
sion of June and July seems now to  
have gone as far as is warranted by  
credit and business conditions gen-  
erally. No important change in steel  
conditions is to be expected until  
fundamental conditions improve, by  
there being an increase in the gen-  
eral industrial activity, by large con-  
struction jobs being undertaken more  
freely, and by the railroads coming  
into steel demand routines to be ex-  
pected for the early spring.

The general average of finished  
steel prices is substantially unchanged.  
Some standing has developed in  
tubular goods since the reduced rate  
of September 16 were put out, while  
on the other hand several independ-  
ent sheet manufacturers are advanc-  
ing their prices \$5 a ton, it being only  
a month since the last advance, which  
was \$5 a ton.

## Review of the Connellsville Coke Trade.

### Statistical Summary.

PRODUCTION	WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 8, 1921	WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 1, 1921
DISTRICT		
Connellsville	15,438	15,497
Lower Connellsville	15,385	15,385
Totals	30,823	30,882
FURNACE OVENS		
Connellsville	15,470	15,470
Lower Connellsville	6,886	6,886
Totals	22,356	22,356
MERCHANT OVENS		
Connellsville	8,200	8,200
Lower Connellsville	9,887	9,887
Totals	18,087	18,087

### U. S. STEEL VOTES TEN MILLIONS FOR PLANT EXTENSIONS

Effect Will Be to Aid in Allevi-  
ation of Unemployment  
Conditions.

#### OWN WORKMEN TO BE USED

Believed This Effort to Reduce Unem-  
ployment Will Be Followed by Other  
Large Employers of Labor to Relief  
of the General Industrial Situation.

NEW YORK, Oct. 12.—The United  
States Steel Corporation yesterday  
led the way to alleviate the unemploy-  
ment situation by voting the expendi-  
ture of \$10,000,000 in the extension of  
its manufacturing plants. This was  
done with the understanding that ex-  
tensions be made where the services  
of its own employees who are now idle  
can be utilized, and where costs will  
be fair.

The steel corporation made no for-  
mal announcement with relation to  
the unemployment situation, but fol-  
lowing the meeting, the finance com-  
mittee announced that it had adopted  
the following resolution:

Resolved, that our subsidiary cor-  
porations be requested to proceed as  
promptly as circumstances will per-  
mit to expend up to \$10,000,000 in the  
extension of their manufacturing  
plants, the same to be done under im-  
mediate direction of the chairman and  
president of the corporation with the  
understanding that, so far as practic-  
al, the extensions are to be made  
where the services of their own em-  
ployees, now idle in consequence of  
diminished operations, can be utilized,  
and where costs will be fair and reason-  
able.

Unemployment in the steel industry  
at the present time is large, and prob-  
ably not more than half the total  
number of employees who were with  
the steel corporation in 1920 are now  
on the payroll. Operations of the  
steel corporation during the summer  
months were not more than 25  
per cent of capacity, but have in-  
creased slightly of late.

It is apparently with the intent of  
alleviating this situation to some ex-  
tent that the steel corporation de-  
termined upon the action taken yester-  
day. In 1920 the total of capital ex-  
penditures for manufacturing prop-  
erties was \$37,877,225. During this year,  
however, an endeavor has been made  
to scale down expenses. Much was  
postponed that would ordinarily have  
been undertaken in anticipation of  
lower costs at a later date. The most  
recent action, however, is with the  
view of minimizing as far as pos-  
sible unemployment at the various  
plants of the company.

In 1920 the steel corporation had  
about 270,000 men on the payroll,  
which, for that year amounted to  
\$381,556,925. It is believed that the  
payroll at the present time is not in  
excess of one-third of this amount.

With the steel corporation leading  
in the effort to cut down unemploy-  
ment, it is believed that a number of  
other large corporations will follow  
suit, and that in this way a direct  
change in conditions may be brought  
about.

### FEWER IDLE CARS

Decrease of 18,888 During the Week  
Ending September 23.

Surplus of freight cars dropped  
from 218,381 in the period September  
8-15 to 201,493 in the period September  
15-23, a decrease of 16,888 cars.

In the former period the average  
shortage was 724 and in the latter  
1,470. Of the 201,493 cars surplus,  
September 15-23, 55,849 were box cars,  
8,946 coke cars, 29,757 hoppers, and  
70,600 gondolas.

B. & O. Contracts For Cars.

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 4.—Con-  
tracts for the purchase of 2,000 new  
freight cars have been awarded by the  
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company.  
It was announced today by George  
Shriver, senior vice-president. The  
purchase will aggregate an expendi-  
ture of \$2,200,000.

Coke Shuts In South.

Very little improvement is notice-  
able in the demand for coke in the Al-

### OUTPUT OF PIG IRON MADE A SUBSTANTIAL GAIN IN SEPTEMBER

Fifteen Stacks Add to the Producers  
Making Total 84, of Which 21  
Are at Merchant Furnaces.

September coke and anthracite pig  
iron output kept up the gain begun  
in August although September had one  
less operating day than August. Total  
production in September was 975,512  
tons, a gain of 21,611 tons over the  
953,901 tons made in August, accord-  
ing to the figures of The Iron Trade  
Review.

Operating stacks increased 15 in  
number, bringing the total in blast on  
the last day of the month up to 84.  
August was the first month since last  
September which did not show a loss  
in active furnaces, thus September is  
the first month to show actual im-  
provement. This perhaps more than  
anything else indicates that the low  
point of the present depression has  
passed.

Merchant iron produced in Septem-  
ber totaled 157,331 tons, compared  
with 134,491 tons in August, a gain  
of 22,840 tons. Steelworks or non-  
merchant furnaces produced 818,521  
tons, which compares with 820,410  
tons in August, a loss of 1,889 tons.  
Hence, the improvement in production  
was due to the gain by merchant fur-  
naces.

On September 30, a total of 84 fur-  
naces were blowing which was a gain  
of 15 over the number active on Au-  
gust 31. During the month seven mer-  
chant furnaces were blown in and one  
blown out, the net gain being six  
stacks. Nine non-merchant furnaces  
were lighted and none blown out.

Of the total number of stacks oper-  
ating on the last day of the month, 21  
were merchant and 63 were non-mer-  
chant. On September 30, the United  
States Steel Corporation was operat-  
ing 38 furnaces as compared with 35  
on the last day of August.

### COKE PRODUCTION

In Connellsville and Lower Connells-  
ville Districts Compared With 1920.

The estimated production of coke in  
the Connellsville and Lower  
Connellsville districts, by weeks,  
with the total compared with the cor-  
responding week of 1920, is shown in  
the following:

Week	Month	Furn.	Total	1920
Jan. 1	1	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jan. 8	1	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jan. 15	1	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jan. 22	1	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jan. 29	1	5,105	113,812	137,438
Feb. 5	2	5,105	113,812	137,438
Feb. 12	2	5,105	113,812	137,438
Feb. 19	2	5,105	113,812	137,438
Feb. 26	2	5,105	113,812	137,438
Mar. 5	3	5,105	113,812	137,438
Mar. 12	3	5,105	113,812	137,438
Mar. 19	3	5,105	113,812	137,438
Mar. 26	3	5,105	113,812	137,438
Apr. 2	4	5,105	113,812	137,438
Apr. 9	4	5,105	113,812	137,438
Apr. 16	4	5,105	113,812	137,438
Apr. 23	4	5,105	113,812	137,438
Apr. 30	4	5,105	113,812	137,438
May 7	5	5,105	113,812	137,438
May 14	5	5,105	113,812	137,438
May 21	5	5,105	113,812	137,438
May 28	5	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jun 4	6	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jun 11	6	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jun 18	6	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jun 25	6	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jul 2	7	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jul 9	7	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jul 16	7	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jul 23	7	5,105	113,812	137,438
Jul 30	7	5,105	113,812	137,438
Aug 6	8	5,105	113,812	137,438
Aug 13	8	5,105	113,812	137,438
Aug 20	8	5,105	113,812	137,438
Aug 27	8	5,105	113,812	137,438
Sep 3	9	5,105	113,812	137,438
Sep 10	9	5,105	113,812	137,438
Sep 17	9	5,105	113,812	137,438
Sep 24	9	5,105	113,812	137,438
Oct 1	10	5,105	113,812	137,438

1920 to Date..... 8,345,238  
1921 to Date..... 8,345,238  
Decrease from 1920..... 5,771,181

### LIMESTONE INDUSTRY

Has Become Important in Value of  
Product and Men Employed.

In 1919, 995 enterprises operating  
925 quarries were taking out lime-  
stone which in the year approximated  
49,715,000 net tons valued at \$53,943,-  
924, the bureau of census, department  
of commerce, states.

Capital employed in the limestone  
industry in 1919 totaled \$32,124,267.  
Quarry lands operated numbered 132,-  
820 acres. Persons employed in the  
industry aggregated 24,705, of whom  
22,069 were wage earners.

## Production and Output.

### Gain in Production Much Less Spectacular Than During Preceding Week

#### COKE TRADE SUMMARY.

While it was expected coke  
production would show a con-  
tinued gain last week it was not  
thought possible that it would be  
as large as that registered dur-  
ing the week ended October 1.  
That it was but 800 tons be-  
hind the production and at the  
same time shows that influences  
operated to prevent what might  
have been a larger increase.  
These influences appear to have  
been slowness in blowing, re-  
cently fired plants to full pro-  
duction and the disposition in  
the trade to make haste slowly  
in view of the existing condi-  
tions in the iron and steel trade.  
Fewer furnaces are going into  
blast than reports indicated and  
the uncertainty as to a strike of  
railway trainmen and the possi-  
bility of reduced freight rates  
are causing furnacemen to nec-  
essitate about taking on greater  
activity.

Production of coke totaled  
\$2,300, a gain of 900 tons and  
the number of active ovens in-  
creased by 15.

The rather large increase in  
production last week had the  
effect of holding price advances  
but did not cause a decline. The  
demand for coke continues to  
take the output as fast as loaded  
and no accumulations of stock  
are being made. Furnace coke  
of standard grade still com-  
mands \$3.50, although sales in  
small tonnages have been as low  
as \$3.35 but mainly for use other  
than in blast furnaces. Foundry  
is strong at \$4.50 to \$4.75.

Disposition Is to Make Haste  
Slowly in View of Exist-  
ing Conditions.

#### SHARP OUTLOOK IS KEPT

By Producers on All Phases of Iron  
and Steel Situation and Note Being  
Made of the Factors Influencing  
Trade; No Recession Anticipated.

The gain in coke production last  
week was much less spectacular than  
that of the previous week. In fact, it  
was less than might have been ex-  
pected considering that the firing up  
of plants and ovens continued, but at  
a very much reduced rate as com-  
pared with the week or 10 days pre-  
ceding. This was in part due to the  
fact that many furnace stacks were  
being blown in at an earlier date than  
previously active plants making rather  
slow progress in coming to full pro-  
duction and in other part to the ex-  
ercise of caution by some producers  
lest eagerness to make tonnage re-  
cords would disturb the somewhat deli-  
cate balance of the situation.

Keeping an attentive ear open to all  
the sounds which changes in the iron  
and steel trade produce, it was noted  
that not as many furnace stacks were  
being blown in as earlier reports in-  
dicated would take place, hence there  
developed some doubt as to an in-  
crease in the demand for coke with-  
in the next fortnight or so. Noting  
also that buyers attached consid-  
erable, and perhaps undue, importance  
to the blowing in of ovens as a step  
presaging overproduction, which  
when it actually occurs has a bearish  
influence on coke prices, the feeling  
begun to develop that such a danger  
should be averted before it really had  
time to develop.

## COAL MEN UNEASY OVER PROBABLE NEW LAWS BY CONGRESS

Many B.M. Proposed Will  
Adversely Affect the  
Industry.

### LOWER FREIGHT RATES

Said to Be in Prospect Through Vol-  
untary Action on Part of the Rail-  
roads; Efforts to Stimulate Buying  
Have So Far Been Without Results.

The legislative situation in Con-  
gress in so far as the coal business is  
concerned, is so unfavorable as to make  
any prediction impossible, says the  
Washington correspondent of the Coal  
Trade Journal. Rumors all the air  
about the capitol as to the forthcoming  
bills and resolutions affecting vari-  
ous phases of the industry but as  
far as official statements are concern-  
ed, none have been made. That the  
industry is somewhat concerned just  
because of this uncertainty is reflect-  
ed in the suggestions which come  
from both operators and dealers.

The special Keeney committee has  
been expected to take some action  
with regard to the Mingo investiga-  
tion. Senator Keeney has said over  
and over again that he did not know  
just what the committee would do.  
The inquiry might be continued fur-  
ther through hearings or a report  
might be made on the investigations  
made in the Mingo fields and legisla-  
tion might be recommended. Senator  
Keeney suggested. The committee  
would have to decide and Keeney, as  
yet, has been unable to get the com-  
mittee together for consideration of  
the question.

Attention is also directed to the  
possibility that Senators Calder of  
New York and Frelinghuysen of New  
Jersey will evolve some coal regula-  
tion idea and present legislation be-  
fore this session is concluded. It is  
the understanding around the capitol  
that although Senator Frelinghuysen  
was pledged when the special Calder  
committee on reconstruction took the  
coal question out of his hands, the  
failure of both the Calder and Fre-  
linghuysen ideas in the last session  
have brought about an alliance and  
that a future program will be the re-  
sult.

It is not only as to legislation that  
the coal industry is up in the air, it  
is so far as Washington of the national  
administration is concerned. The com-  
mittee have been informed that the rail-  
roads are preparing to consider with  
the utmost favor a reduction in freight  
rates on coal. It has been said that  
these proposals were considered but  
that any final action was deferred be-  
cause of the possibility that the rail-  
road employees would strike against  
wage reductions. The rate reductions  
were to come according to these  
stories, not through any formal action  
by the Interstate Commerce Commis-  
sion or other governmental bodies  
but through voluntary action on the  
part of the railroads.

This state of anxiety as to the coal  
situation reaches even into the govern-  
ment departments. Secretary of  
Commerce Hoover and the Geological  
Survey, for a time, were doing what  
they could to stimulate coal buying.  
Their statements and the facts they  
offered, indicated some alarm over the  
possibility of the coal business getting  
into such a situation as that which  
created the "coal panic" of a year ago.  
They showed that little coal was being  
purchased, that the mines were not  
operating and that a shortage  
might develop during the fall and  
winter months.

Although the Geological Survey con-  
tinues to show that this lack of pro-  
duction is a source of danger to the  
buyers, there are no statements now  
which might be taken as a warning  
to consumers. And this attitude on  
the part of the government reflects  
the feeling among the operators. The  
operators say that no one is qualified  
now to say whether there will be suf-  
ficient coal at the present rate of  
production, or whether there will be  
a shortage. If industry speeds up and  
the necessity for coal increases, there  
is fear with some operators that a  
shortage will result. But if industry  
does not speed up, the operators say  
the coal stocks may be sufficient to  
meet the demand. And when they are  
frank or perhaps when they are in-  
clined to be pessimistic, the operators  
say that reports do not indicate there  
is going to be any great speeding up  
of industry.

### 1,375 Shopmen Recalled to Work By Pennsylvania

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 7.—General Man-  
ager E. E. McCarthy of the Central  
region of the Pennsylvania railroad  
today announced 760 men long idle  
had been recalled to work in car re-  
pair shops of the region as follows:  
Olean, N. Y., 300; Canton, O., 150;  
Pennsboro, O., 150; and Verona, Pa.,  
160.

Mr. McCarthy's announcement sup-  
plemented his statement of last night  
which recalled 615 men to the shops  
at Conway and Pitsburgh.

### Capstan Company Ships 70 Cars of Tumblers in Month

The Capstan Glass company does  
not seem to be infected at all by the  
business depression, for, during the  
month of September, it broke all  
previous records in shipments, the  
total number of carloads of glass  
tumblers reaching 70.

Notwithstanding the fact that no  
definite figures were given out, it is  
generally known around the plant  
that September was a very busy  
month.

### P. R. R. ADDS TO FORCE

Shopmen Recalled for Work on Re-  
pairs to Rolling Stock.

ALTOONA, Oct. 6.—Orders have  
been issued recalling upwards of 400  
furloughed employees of the Pennsylv-  
ania railroad to work on the car and  
engine repair shops here and at Hol-  
idayburg.

On the Philadelphia division 590 are  
to be put to work at once. These men  
will also be engaged in repairs to  
rolling stock. The piece-work sys-  
tem will apply in all shops.

In the month of September, the  
number of employees on the Pennsylv-  
ania system increased 3,926 to 194,  
487. This compares with 279,599 at  
the "peak" reported on September  
15, 1920, and with the low mark of  
185,825 on May 15, 1921, after re-  
trenchment measures forced the lay-  
off of large numbers of shopmen.

### MINING INDUSTRY IN ALL ITS PHASES AT THE EXPOSITION

In Connection With Annual  
Convention American  
Mining Congress.

### MINIATURE WORLD'S FAIR

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—The govern-  
ment of the United States, the Repub-  
lic of Mexico, the territory of Alaska  
and the entire mining industry, which  
embraces 21,000 firms, will cooper-  
ate in staging the national exposition  
of mining and mining equipment which  
will be held at the Chicago Coliseum  
October 17-23 in connection with the  
24th annual convention of the Ameri-  
can Mining Congress.

This exhibit will be strictly educa-  
tional and no one will make a profit  
out of it. In recognition of its edu-  
cational value, the government will  
collect no war tax upon admission  
tickets, and the Treasury department  
has made a special ruling admitting  
duty-free the exhibits from foreign  
countries.

The state of California's official ex-  
hibit will include gold ores valued at  
\$50,000.

Alaska's exhibit, prepared jointly  
by the mine operators and the govern-  
ment of Alaska, will portray its re-  
sources in lumber, fish and agricul-  
ture as well as mining. This will be  
the first comprehensive official ex-  
hibit Alaska has ever made any-  
where.

The official Mexican exhibit, which  
will occupy a large space in the  
plaza of states and foreign countries,  
will depict the ancient history of min-  
eral production in that country, pre-  
sent activities and opportunities for  
future development of Mexican min-  
eral resources. These opportunities  
are of special importance because of  
the new era of cordial relations de-  
veloping between the two countries.

Colorado will feature in its exhibit  
oil shale and radium—oil shale, whose  
irresistible deposits in a few western  
states alone could be made to sup-  
ply the country with petroleum prod-  
ucts for more than a hundred years,  
and radium, worth approximately  
240,000 times as much as gold.

Utah and other western states will  
have exhibits portraying their gold,  
silver, copper, lead and zinc resources.

Mine owners of the Lake Superior  
District, which furnishes one-fifth  
of the iron ore used in the American  
steel industry, will place on exhibit  
models of mine operations, including  
the largest open-pit mines in the  
world.

The United States Bureau of Mines  
will display the largest exhibit of oil  
shale ever assembled, and government  
experts in attendance will explain  
the processes of extracting oil from  
rock. The United States Department  
of Agriculture will have an exhibit of  
forestry and forestry products, fea-  
turing methods of wood preservation  
—a subject of vital interest to every  
mine operator.

The assemblage of mining machin-  
ery and supplies will in itself consti-  
tute a world's fair of industrial  
mechanical equipment. More than  
one thousand mine foremen and super-  
intendents will travel from the  
eastern, southern and central coal  
fields and the western metal mining  
districts to see this feature of the ex-  
position. A full sized model of the  
largest coal "breaker" in the United  
States will show the mechanical pro-  
cesses used in handling anthracite  
from the mouth of the mine to the  
freight car. A complete mine rail-  
road will be in operation just as they  
are found in the greatest coal mines.  
Locomotives, cars, air compressors,  
safety devices, crushers, hoisters—  
every character of machinery used  
in up-to-date mines, the world over  
will be on exhibition, and in full op-  
eration.

To travel around the country and  
see the mechanical operations which  
may be seen in one week at the ex-  
position would require from six  
months to a year. Every man, wo-  
man and child in the United States  
will find something of interest in the  
exposition, for mining is a basic in-  
dustry in every state of the Union and  
everything we eat, wear and work  
and play with is composed in whole  
or in part of mine products.

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ests are engaged in cleaning up the  
mine and coke yard at the Nellie plant  
with a view to firing up the 45 ovens  
within a few days.

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### Nellie Mine and Ovens Being Made Ready to Operate

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### LIST OF COKE OVENS IN THE CONNELLSVILLE DISTRICT With Their Owners, Address and Ovens in Blast Corrected to Saturday, October 8, 1921.

Ovens	In Works	Name of Operators	Address
<b>MERCHANT OVENS</b>			
182	Beatty	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
183	Brush Run	Brush Run Coke Co.	Mt. Pleasant
184	Clare	Clare Coke Co.	Greensburg
185	Clarissa	Corrado-Schenck Coke Co.	Connellsville
186	Ellen No. 1	W. J. Ratney, Inc.	New York
187	Ellen No. 2	W. J. Ratney, Inc.	New York
188	Franklin	Summit-Celle Coke Co.	Connellsville
189	Gilmore	Gilmore Coke Co.	Uniontown
190	Hecla	Corrado-Schenck Coke Co.	Connellsville
191	Hampshire	Hampshire Coal & Coke Co.	Youngwood
192	Hampshire	Hampshire Coal & Coke Co.	Greensburg
193	Morgan	Corrado-Schenck Coke Co.	Connellsville
194	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
195	Mt. Pleasant	Mt. Pleasant Coke Co.	Greensburg
196	Myers	Brownfield Coal & Coke Co.	Uniontown
197	Nellie	Kelle's Coke Co.	Connellsville
198	Oliver No. 1	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
199	Oliver No. 2	Oliver & Snyder Steel Co.	Pittsburg
200	Paul	W. J. Ratney, Inc.	New York
201	Thomas	W. J. Ratney, Inc.	New York
202	West Penn	West Penn Coke Co.	Pittsburg
<b>FURNACE OVENS</b>			
203	Adelaide	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
204	Alverton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
205	Bagnaley	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
206	Bitner	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
207	Brinkerton	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
208	Calumet	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
209	Central	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
210	Collier	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
211	Continental 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
212	Continental 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
213	Continental 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
214	Crossland	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
215	Davidson	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
216	Dorothy	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
217	Dunbar	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
218	Hecla No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
219	Hecla No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
220	Hecla No. 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
221	Holmes	Holmes & C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
222	Junonia	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
223	Kelle's	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
224	Leisenring 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
225	Leisenring 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
226	Leisenring 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
227	Leitch	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
228	Leitch No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
229	Lemont No. 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
230	Lemont No. 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
231	Mammoth	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
232	Marguerite	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
233	Mt. Pleasant	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
234	Ottumwa	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
235	Phillips	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
236	Redstone	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
237	Shelby	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
238	Southwest 1	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
239	Southwest 2	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
240	Southwest 3	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
241	Standard	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
242	Stewart	Stewart Iron Co.	Uniontown
243	Trotter	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
244	United	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
245	Wainwright	Holmes & C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
246	Wynne	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
247	Yorktown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg
248	Youngstown	H. C. Frick Coke Co.	Pittsburg

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DICKERSON RUN, Oct. 6.—Business  
has been increasing on the Pittsburg  
& Lake Erie railroad for several  
weeks and a number of furloughed  
men have been called back to duty.  
Among them were engineers, fire-  
men and shopmen. Ten shopmen re-  
turned to work Wednesday morning.

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## JAMES S. HITCHMAN, BANKER, STRICKEN IN HIS MOTOR CAR, DIES

Mount Pleasant Financier Shuts Off Power and Stops Machine.

### HELPLESS WHEN FOUND

Long Identified With Institutions in His Home Town, Mount Pleasant, President of Citizens Savings & Trust Company at Time of Death.

MOUNT PLEASANT, Oct. 11.—James S. Hitchman, 57 years old, president of the Citizens Savings & Trust company, and one of the best-known bankers in this part of the state, died this morning at 2 o'clock at the Pike Run Country club east of this place, along the pike, following a stroke of apoplexy he suffered Sunday evening just as he reached the club after motoring from McKeesport where he and two sisters had been spending several days at their summer cottage.

About 1 o'clock last evening, Mr. Hitchman, who was alone, was found sitting in his car, his hands on the steering wheel and his eyes closed, though still conscious. How long he had been there is not known, as he was unable to speak and soon passed into an unconscious state in which he remained until death. It is believed he was stricken just about the time he arrived at the club for he had turned the machine toward the club grounds and shut off the gas and applied the brakes. He was carried to the club house.

With Mr. Hitchman at their cottage at McKeesport were Misses Mary and Alice Hitchman, who lived with their brother in the old William Hitchman homestead in Eagle street, Mount Pleasant. Mr. Hitchman was to have been home last evening in order to fill a business engagement, early today. The sisters remained at the cottage.

Mr. Hitchman was born in Mount Pleasant and made the town his home all his life. When a mere boy he entered the First National bank as teller, remaining with that institution until 1892 when the Citizens National bank was launched and he was elected its president. In 1904 the bank enlarged its scope, becoming the Citizens Savings & Trust company and Mr. Hitchman was retained as the head of the institution. At the time of his death, until a year ago he was a director of the First National bank and was a member of the board of the Merchants & Farmers National bank of Greensburg.

The dead banker was never married. He was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian church and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Besides his investments in the banks with which he was identified, Mr. Hitchman was said to have had large real estate holdings in Pittsburgh and in the country, much property in Mount Pleasant.

Besides the two sisters, Mary and Alice, he leaves three brothers, John D. and William Hitchman of Mount Pleasant, who, with their families, were at the Pike Run club when he reached there Sunday evening, and Edward Hitchman of Wheeling, W. Va., his father and mother, William and Elizabeth Hitchman, are dead.

## Apples One-Fourth, Potatoes One-Half Crop in Somerset

BERLIN, Oct. 11.—The fruit crop in this section has been a failure. A large nursery company in this county has more than 2,000 acres of cultivated ground on which are forty odd peach orchards. Last year 150 carloads of fruit were harvested from these orchards, this year less than two carloads were gathered. These sold for more than \$5 a bushel.

The same company has a number of apple orchards and these will not produce this year more than one-quarter of the usual crop.

The corn crop is said to be up to 100 per cent of the normal, but wheat was short and late. Potatoes have been badly hit by drought and it is estimated that the crop of late Irish potatoes will not likely be more than 50 per cent of the crop raised ordinarily.

### POULTRY CULLING

Penmanship Pronounced Success. Much Interest Shown by Raiser. The poultry culling demonstration given by L. W. Steelman, poultry specialist from State College, and under the direction of F. J. Agent C. L. Runberger, have been concluded. They were a decided success, particularly those held at the John H. Norland farm near Hickory Bottom, and at the home of E. E. Arnold, west of Vanderhill.

At the former there were 61 persons present, at the latter even a larger number. Mr. Runberger was much pleased with the interest shown by poultry raisers. Already he has received reports that certain flocks have increased considerably in egg production since the culls were eliminated.

**Meersdale Man Reappointed.** HARRISBURG, Oct. 11.—Governor Sprout last night announced reappointment of Samuel C. Chessman of Pittsburgh and Harry M. Cook of Meersdale, Somerset county, as members of the State Board of Optometrical Education, Examination and Licensure.

**Governor Asks Observance.** HARRISBURG, Oct. 11.—People of Pennsylvania were today called upon by Governor Sprout to observe October 10 as Fire Prevention Day.

## Rev. T. F. Pershing, Former Local M. E. Minister, Called

Rev. Dr. Thomas F. Pershing of Blairsville, a former Methodist Episcopal minister of the Pittsburgh conference, and pastor of the Connelville church for several years, died Sunday night at 9 o'clock in the home of his son, Attorney Edgar Pershing, who resides near Philadelphia. Dr. Pershing was born at New Florence. He was educated in Allegheny college, Meadville, and Mount Union college, Alliance, O. He entered the ministry in 1878 and before being superannuated, spent years' ago, held pastorate in Cokesville, Mount Pleasant, Connelville, Uniontown, Blairsville, Vandergrift, and Pittsburgh. He was pastor of the Oakland Methodist Episcopal church of Pittsburgh at the time of his retirement.

Besides Attorney Pershing and a daughter, Mrs. Elmer Taylor of Blairsville, with whom he lived, Dr. Pershing leaves a son, Dr. Paul Pershing of Altoona, and a brother, Dr. S. S. Pershing of Wilkensburg. He was a third cousin of General John J. Pershing, commander of the United States forces in the World War. He was twice married. His second wife, who was Mrs. James T. Greenland of Connelville, died several years ago.

## M. E. Church Asks Return of Pastor For Another Year

Dr. J. J. Hill, district superintendent of the Pittsburgh conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, presided at the fourth quarterly conference of the Connelville church held Wednesday in the church. The conference invited Rev. Dr. T. F. Pershing to return as pastor of the church for the ensuing year by an unanimous vote.

The official board, the board of stewards and the board of trustees were re-elected and three new members, J. B. Henderson, Daniel H. Conn and L. K. Miller, were elected on the board of stewards. The conference elected J. B. Henderson and G. W. Campbell delegates to the annual session of the Pittsburgh conference which convenes at the Methodist Episcopal church of Brunsford, Wednesday, October 12 and E. W. Horner and H. E. Carpenter alternates. The report of Dr. Pershing for the year showed a net gain in membership of 47 after 29 had been released to the new church on the West Side.

## Lieutenant Null Returns to U. S.; May Remain Here

Lieutenant Telford B. Null, United States Air Service, who was at first reported to have met death in the collapse of the dirigible ZR-2 over the Humber river at Hull, England, last August, has returned to the United States, on his way to Denver, Colo., to settle the estate of his mother, the late Mrs. Colleen Null. He was the guest for several days of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wurtz of Pittsburgh, formerly of Dawson. While there, he was visited by his aunt, Mrs. Isabella G. Galey of Perryopolis, who returned home Friday. Lieutenant Null, who is accompanied by his wife, a Newark, N. J. girl he married while in England will leave tonight for Denver. The lieutenant's future plans are indefinite. He may be assigned to the crew of the ZR-3, now under construction in this country. Lieutenant Null was the next man on the list after the Americans who lost their lives in the disaster to the ZR-2.

## County Event Is Bishop Post Plan For Armistice Day

Milton L. Bishop Post No. 301, The American Legion, is making extensive plans for the Armistice Day celebration to be held here on November 11. The event has expanded into a county event.

Extensive plans include a big military and industrial parade, with every Legion post in the county in line together with the Howitzer company, the new and old Tenth Regiment bands and numerous other organizations.

The program provides for events throughout the morning, afternoon and evening. A football game at Fayette field in the afternoon will be the chief sport event. An effort to get nationally known speakers is being made. R. A. Marlette is chairman of the general committee and Max Floto heads the general committee on arrangements.

### REV. LAWLESS NAMED

As Temporary Pastor of St. Mary's of the Point Church, Pittsburgh.

Rev. D. A. Lawless of Pittsburgh, well known in Connelville, has been appointed temporary pastor of St. Mary's of the Point church, which is located in the central part of Pittsburgh. Rev. Lawless will continue his work as head of the confraternity of Christian Doctrine of the Pittsburgh diocese of the Catholic church and will be assisted both in parish and confraternity work by Rev. Heinrich. The appointment was made to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Monsignor Congall McDermott, last April.

**Bishop Party Home.** W. C. Bishop and Mrs. Catherine J. Bishop have returned after spending several weeks motoring through New England and Canada and visiting New York, Atlantic City and Washington.

**Home Near Completion.** J. C. Grossman is putting the finishing touches to his new home in Willis road.

## BANNING OF BIBLE FROM USE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS COURT ISSUE

Test Case From State of Washington to Come Before Highest Tribunal.

### VIOLATES DECLARATION

Of Independence, Presbyterian Leaders Back of Appeal Declare; Makes Impossible Instruction of School Children in "Laws of Nature's God."

NEW YORK, Oct. 11.—The Supreme Court of the United States will be asked to determine whether the Bible can be legally excluded from the public schools.

This has been announced by leaders of the Presbyterian church here who have been backing a movement among various religious denominations to bring a test case before the nation's highest tribunal.

The state of Washington, which officially excludes the Bible from its public schools, will furnish the basis for the case. The contemplated action had its inception in the Synod of Washington of the Presbyterian church.

The line of attack will be based on the Declaration of Independence, the Presbyterians claiming that the Declaration is a covenant with the American nation and God, and that the study of the Bible by American children is essential to an understanding of the covenant and to full knowledge of God.

To exclude the Bible from the public schools, the Presbyterians contend, is to deprive the children of the opportunity to obtain knowledge of the principles of the Declaration of Independence, which is to violate one of the essential clauses of the opening paragraph of the Declaration of Independence. In the state of Washington the attorney general and later the State Supreme court have rendered an opinion in which the Bible in effect is judged to be a "sectarian" book, and in which it is decreed to be unconstitutional to read or teach the Bible in the state schools.

The Presbyterians declare that "this ruling, opinion and construction is erroneous, and that the state constitutional provisions so constructed are void, as being in conflict with and repugnant to the principles of the Declaration of Independence."

"This ruling," it is added, "is repugnant to and in conflict with the principles in the clause of the Declaration of Independence, 'in assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God, entitle them, in that all citizens are equally entitled to instruction in the laws of nature and also of nature's God,' which latter are spiritual and obtainable from the Bible. This ruling makes it impossible to obtain such knowledge in the school system of the state, although elaborate provisions are made for teaching the 'laws of nature.'"

Extensive arguments have been presented in the presentation to show that no state has a right to exclude from its system of education "instruction in the science of religion as set forth in the Bible, the only book which sets forth the existence, laws and other attributes of the divine Providence to which the Declaration of Independence is committed, without this exclusion being repugnant to the Declaration and therefore void."

The presentation declares that within a few years after prohibiting the Bible from the Washington public schools "it became necessary to create juvenile courts, jails and correctional institutions, and so great was the demand for their use that good people of town and city began to make efforts to supply Bible teachings and moral training to the youth attending state schools and colleges and were knocking at the back doors of their schools to which the law required their children committed for education, seeking for the recognition of Bible instruction."

It is declared that "the course and attitude taken by the state toward religion and the Bible will overcome all others. It took less than 22 years during the reign of Baal, by favoring the teaching of Baal rather than of Jehovah, to reduce the well-established Jehovah system to one prophet while Baal's teaching had increased to over 450 prophets."

## Rev. Baum Asked To Return 11th Year to Dawson

At the annual quarterly conference of the Cochran Memorial Methodist church at Dawson Tuesday night Rev. H. A. Baum, the pastor, was asked to return next year. Rev. Baum is closing his 14th year as the church pastor and during his pastorate the church has met with wonderful success. David Seagriff and F. A. Tetz were elected laymen to the annual Pittsburgh conference which convened Wednesday, October 12 at the Brunsford Methodist Episcopal church.

### GAS TAX FLOODS TREASURY

With a Stream of Small Payments From Retail Dealers.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 11.—The new state gasoline tax is proving productive of the greatest numbers of small taxpayers on record, and state treasury officials, confronted with a flood of small payments, are trying to work a system for expediting handling of what is fast becoming a monthly affair.

Several thousand dealers in gasoline have sent in reports and payments and in only a few cases have the sums exceeded \$100. Some of them have been under \$1 and a number of such taxpayers have remitted with stamps.

Advertise in The Weekly Courier.

## CAMPAIGN FOR MEMORIAL HALL IS LAUNCHED

Will E. Stewart Post, Grand Army, Uniontown, Takes the Lead.

### VOTE ON IT NOVEMBER 8

An intensive campaign to make a reality of the movement for a soldiers' memorial hall has been launched by veterans throughout Fayette county the lead being taken by Will E. Stewart Post No. 180, G. A. R., Uniontown.

A committee has been appointed to conduct the campaign during which the proposition will be put before the voters of the county. The memorial hall plan has been approved by four Fayette county grand juries. A recent state law makes it possible the erection of the building upon approval of the voters of the county in providing the necessary funds. The committee of Will E. Stewart post points out that increase in taxation to provide such a building, the need of which cannot be disputed, will be not more than a fourth of a mill.

The following statement was issued yesterday by the Will E. Stewart Post commander.

To the patriotic citizens of Fayette county and the soldiers of all the wars in which this country has been engaged, those who went out from Fayette county, the Civil War, Spanish-American War, Foreign Wars, the World War, all previous wars and wars to come:

All are interested in having a memorial building erected in this town to give as much money for other purposes as it is keeping for the church's own use. It is working on the \$50-50 basis.

The closing session of the convention last night was largely attended. The large auditorium was filled. Rev. R. H. Austin, the retiring moderator, had charge of the service, which opened the meeting. Special music was rendered by the church choir, with C. T. Anstine as director. An address on "The Gospel in Foreign Lands," by Rev. F. C. Wilcox, a missionary in China, was declared to have been one of the most scholarly talks ever given before a Connelville audience. A stereopticon feature, "Blazing Gospel Trails for the Moon," by Rev. W. G. Russell, was an interesting feature of the meeting.

## Veteran Members Of General Worth Lodge Are Honored

Life memberships in the Ben Aron Orphanas Home were presented to Byron Porter, A. C. Gilmore, Henry Goldsmith, Clark Collins, J. R. Baisley and J. W. Hill at a meeting of General Worth Lodge, I. O. O. F., Friday. The certificates are given to members of 50 years standing in the order. J. G. Haynes made the presentation.

Each membership is purchased at a cost of \$25 and entitles the holder to have his name engraved on the honor roll which is located at the home in Pittsburgh.

C. F. Hirst was installed as noble grand last night and A. H. Fogg as vice-grand. Other officers installed were: T. H. Edmunds, recording secretary; W. J. Hicks, financial secretary; Byron Porter, treasurer; and Jacob Wildy, trustee. Mr. Porter's election as treasurer makes his 20th year in that office.

HARRISBURG, Oct. 6.—Dr. H. H. McCutcheon, chief of the tuberculosis section of the United States Veterans Bureau of Washington, has been appointed medical officer in charge of the War Veterans hospital at Mont Alto by Colonel Edward Martin, state commissioner of health.

Dr. McCutcheon was graduated from Jefferson Medical college, Philadelphia, and served with the 110th Infantry in France. He has lately been with the United States Public Health Service.

### TO REDUCE LOSS

Resulting From Damage to Freight in Transit, Drive of P. R. R.

The Pennsylvania railroad is putting on an intensive campaign to prevent loss and damage to freight in transit.

It is pointed out that in 1920 payments on account of loss or damage to freight in transit cost all the railroads of the country more than \$100,000,000. Vigorous efforts are necessary to check this waste and to reduce the claims and eliminate causes that result in loss and damage claims. "Rough handling" and "poor stowing" are found the prolific causes of loss and damage.

MELVIN LEIBERGER HURT

Son of Former Connelville Man Loses Right Arm in Crash.

Melvin Leiberger, 17 years old, son of Frank Leiberger, a former Connelville resident, but now of Star City, W. Va., lost his right arm and received other injuries in a head on collision of two automobiles at that place recently. Carl Fisher, a companion, lost his right leg in the same accident.

Hand Caught in Washer.

Mrs. E. J. Uery of Pennsville suffered painful injuries to her hand when the member was caught in to electric washer, being drawn in to the wrist.

## 90TH BAPTIST MEETING TO BE AT FAIRCHANCE

Flatwoods Pastor, Will Preach Introductory Sermon, Local the Doctrinal.

### TIME IS NOT SELECTED

Reports Submitted at Closing Session of 89th Convention in First Church, Connelville, Shows Year to Have Been Association's Best Year.

The 90th annual session of the Monongahela Baptist association will be held at Fairchance, the place being chosen Wednesday at the 89th annual convention, held in the First church of the Baptist church at Flatwoods, where the introductory sermon and Rev. E. H. Stevens, pastor of the Connelville church, was chosen to deliver the doctrinal sermon.

The time for holding the convention will not be set until the date of the 1922 annual convention of the Pittsburgh Baptist association is named. While the two conventions will not be held on the same dates they will be held at a time which will make it convenient for the speakers attending the Pittsburgh convention to appear on the program here.

Reports submitted yesterday showed the year of 1921 to be the greatest in the financial history of the association. The Connelville church is one of a few of over 700 Baptist churches to give as much money for other purposes as it is keeping for the church's own use. It is working on the \$50-50 basis.

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## Former Telegraph Operator Here Tries To End Her Life

Mrs. Anna May Kelly of Sharon, daughter of Josiah Oaks of East Murphy avenue, attempted to commit suicide in Topeka, Kan., according to word received here Sunday. The story told the sheriff at Topeka was that Mrs. Kelly attempted to end her life by stabbing herself and then jumping into the lake. In a letter written to relatives here several weeks ago Mrs. Kelly stated that her husband had recently bought a new automobile and that they expected to start shortly on a motor trip. A telegram received by members of her family stated that she had been found along the lake and was in no condition to be left alone.

John Harshman and Frank Spitzer, brothers-in-law of Mrs. Kelly, left Sunday afternoon for Topeka to bring her home. Mrs. Kelly is well known in Connelville, having had charge of the Postal Telegraph office at one time. From here she was transferred to Sharon.

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## Miners Rap Legion For Alleged Strike Breaking Activities

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 4.—Although refusing to condemn The American Legion because of alleged strike-breaking activities of some of its members, the convention of the United Mine Workers of America adopted a resolutions committee report calling on legion officials "to put their house in order." The action came after several delegates had appealed vehemently for the convention to go on record in unqualified condemnation of the legion.

The committee report cited the legion's constitution as proof that the world war veterans' organization shall be a force of law and order, adding that acts of individual members had justly brought condemnation of the legion.

"We therefore call upon the proper officials of the American Legion," said the report, "to put their house in order by adopting some proper and effective punishment of its members who violate the constitution and weaken the force of the legion, and tend to bring it into disrepute. The American Legion is organized for a good purpose, but has been used for bad practice, and being an instant organization, we feel it unwise at this time to condemn or excommunicate the American Legion as an organization until they can have the opportunity to put their house in order."

Leo M. Rist to Take West Point Officers' Course

Leo M. Rist, son of Mr. and Mrs. George T. Rist of Poplar Grove and a corporal of Troop G, Fifth Cavalry, stationed at Fort Worth, Tex., has been detailed to report to West Point Military academy for a special course in training preparatory to a commission in the Regular Army, according to a letter from Corporal Rist to The Courier. The course is one year, with an examination at the end. If he passes this satisfactorily he is in line for commission as an officer.

Corporal Rist is 21 years old. During the war, when men were being drafted for service overseas, Rist was not old enough to get into the service. In 1919 he was 18 years old and eligible to join the colors. His parents objecting, on account of his youth, he ran away, enlisting at Akron, O., when a call was issued for 50,000 volunteers to relieve service men overseas who wanted to return. He feels that he did his part even though he did not get into the fighting. He has since been in the Army. His term reaching the end, he had planned to come home and join the National Guard, when the opportunity to become a commissioned officer presented itself.

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